



National Weather Service

Storm Data and Unusual Weather Phenomena



February 1996

Location	Date	Time Local/ Standard	Path Length (Miles)	Path Width (Yards)	Number of Persons Killed	Number of Persons Injured	Estimated Damage Property	Estimated Damage Crops	Character of Storm
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MINNESOTA, Central and South Central

MNZ041>045-047>070-073>079-082>088-091>096 Douglas - Todd - Morrison - Mille Lacs - Kanabec - Stevens - Pope - Stearns - Benton - Sherburne - Isanti - Chisago - Lac Qui Parle - Swift - Chippewa - Kandiyohi - Meeker - Wright - Hennepin - Anoka - Ramsey - Washington - Yellow Medicine - Renville - Mcleod - Sibley - Carver - Scott - Dakota - Redwood - Brown - Nicollet - Le Sueur - Rice - Goodhue - Wabasha - Watonwan - Blue Earth - Waseca - Steele - Dodge - Olmsted - Winona - Martin - Faribault - Freeborn - Mower - Fillmore - Houston

01 0000CST 0 0 Extreme Cold
04 1000CST

Extremely cold air settled over the area on January 31st, and lingered through February 4th. A new record low temperature for the state of Minnesota was set in the the town of Tower on 2/2 when the mercury dipped to 60 below. Numerous record low temperatures and record low high temperatures were set during the period at St. Cloud, Rochester and the Twin Cities. Minneapolis/St. Paul set three new record low temperatures as well as recording the second coldest day on record on 2/2. A mean temperature of 25 degrees below zero was measured that day with a high of 17 below and a low of 32 below zero. This was within two degrees of tying the all-time record low temperature set in the Twin Cities and the coldest temperature recorded this century. Many central and southern Minnesota locations set new record low temperatures the morning of the 2nd. The governor closed all schools that day.

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10 0900CST 0 0 High Wind (48)
11 0500CST

Intense low pressure tracked across northern Minnesota resulting in strong winds in excess of 35 mph with gusts over 50 mph at times. The winds blew cars across highway 14, west of the town of New Ulm. A grain dryer was blown over in Sleepy Eye. Scattered damage was also reported in the town of Springfield where shingles were torn off roofs and siding ripped off buildings. A roof was ripped off a store in Willmar.

MNZ041>045-047>050-054>055 Douglas - Todd - Morrison - Mille Lacs - Kanabec - Stevens - Pope - Stearns - Benton - Lac Qui Parle - Swift

26 2000CST 0 0 Heavy Snow
27 2300CST

Five to eight inch snowfall across parts of central Minnesota. Pequot Lakes reported 8 inches, 6 inches at Morris and Little Falls

WISCONSIN, West

WIZ014>016-023>028 Polk - Barron - Rusk - St. Croix - Pierce - Dunn - Pepin - Chippewa - Eau Claire

01 0000CST 1 0 Extreme Cold
04 1200CST

Extremely cold air settled over the region on January 31st, and continued through February 4th. The cold peaked the morning of February 2nd when a new record low temperature of 35 below zero was set in Eau Claire. Some area schools called off class due to the extreme cold on the 2nd. A power outage affected the entire town of Clifton on the 2nd. A woman accidentally locked in her garage died from exposure to the cold on February 1st in Eau Claire county. F80FH

WIZ014>016-023>028 Polk - Barron - Rusk - St. Croix - Pierce - Dunn - Pepin - Chippewa - Eau Claire

08 0000CST 0 0 Freezing Rain
0600CST

Period of freezing rain deposited thin layer of glaze across portions of northwest Wisconsin. School was closed in the city of Eau Claire and postponed two hours elsewhere. Section of highway 53 in Chippewa County closed for several hours due to glaze.



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WISCONSIN, West

Highway 12 in St. Croix county and highway 25 in Dunn county closed briefly. Multiple vehicle accident reported in Barron county on highway 8.